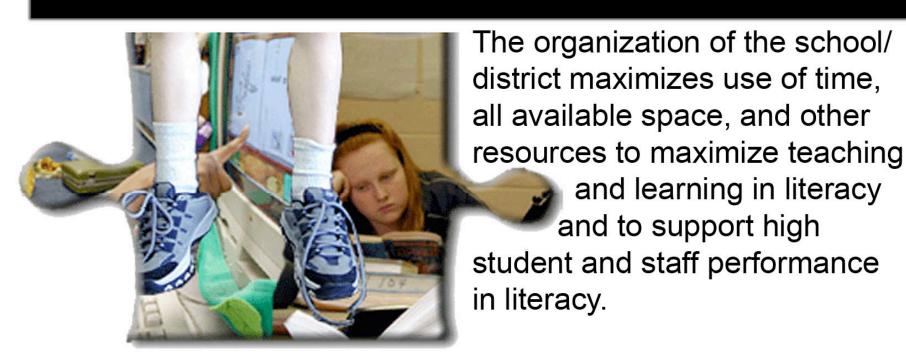
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Literacy PERKS on the Nine Elements of Comprehensive School wide Literacy Programs

- Defining Literacy Literacy includes, reading, writing, and the creative and analytical acts involved in producing and comprehending text. -- from Read to Succeed: Kentucky's Literacy Plan, developed by the Kentucky Literacy Partnership, June 2002
- **Using Literacy PERKS** Literacy PERKS is designed for use by school, district, and state-level reviewers. While the Nine Elements relate to the Standards in Kentucky's *Standards and Indicators for School Improvement*, the indicators below each Element do not correspond to the SISI indicators. At the school level, the best use of Literacy PERKS occurs when Literacy Team members (see section seven) complete the review and use the results to develop a school wide literacy plan (See section nine).
- Identifying Data Sources For the supporting data cells, consider the following data sources:

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- Use the following abbreviations to indicate progress: **SP** (Satisfactory Progress), **IN** (Improvement Needed), **NS** (Not Satisfactory)
- Connecting to Kentucky Documents The Nine Elements of Comprehensive School wide Literacy Programs connect
 to the Standards in Kentucky's Standards and Indicators for School Improvement and to the Conditions for Reading Success in
 Read to Succeed: Kentucky's Literacy Plan.

ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS of Comprehensive Schoolwide Literacy Programs	STANDARDS Standards and Indicators for School Improvement	CONDITIONS FOR READING SUCCESS Read to Succeed: Kentucky's Literacy Plan		
Aligned Curriculum	ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE Standard 1 – Curriculum: The school develops and implements a curriculum that is rigorous, intentional, and aligned to state and local standards.	Content area reading instruction in all academic areas (#3).		
Multiple Assessments	Standard 2 – Classroom Evaluation/Assessment The school utilizes multiple evaluation and assessment strategies to continuously monitor and modify instruction to meet student needs and support proficient student work.	Early diagnosis and evaluation with appropriate individual intervention for students who struggle with reading at all levels (#2).		
Instruction and Targeted Intervention	Standard 3 – Instruction The school's instructional program actively engages all students by using effective, varied, and research-based practices to improve student academic performance.	Engaging instruction in a supportive environment that will motivate students to achieve and to value education (#6).		
Literate Environment	LEARNING ENVIRONMENT Standard 4 – School Culture: The school/district functions as an effective learning community and supports a climate conducive to performance excellence.	Acknowledgement & ownership by communities of the importance of reading that leads to high literacy attainment as a means to improve quality of life (#4).		
School/ Family/Community Partnerships	Standard 5 – Student, Family, and Community Support The school/district works with families and community groups to remove barriers to learning in an effort to meet the intellectual, social, career, and developmental needs of students.	Supportive, participating families that value reading (#1).		
Professional Development	Standard 6 – Professional Growth, Development, & Evaluation The school/district provides research-based, results-driven professional development opportunities for staff and implements performance evaluation procedures in order to improve teaching and learning	Well prepared and supported teachers at all levels who have a deep understanding & knowledge of the latest research & processes needed to teach students to read in all content areas (#7).		

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Literacy Team	Standard 7 – Leadership School/district instructional decisions focus on support for teaching and learning, organizational direction, high performance expectations, creating a learning culture, and developing leadership capacity.	Leadership and policy direction at all levels that support reading and lead to high literacy attainment for all Kentuckians (#8).
Valuable Resources	Standard 8 – Organizational Structure and Resources The organization of the school/district maximizes use of time, all available space, and other resources to maximize teaching and learning and support high student and staff performance.	Adequate time devoted directly to the teaching of reading (#5).
Literacy Plan	Standard 9 – Comprehensive and Effective Planning The school/district develops, implements, and evaluates a comprehensive school improvement plan that communicates a clear purpose, direction, and action plan focused on teaching and learning.	

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Conditions for Reading Success (#5): reading.

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8.1	fiscal resources (federal, state, local) are allocated to support high performance in literacy.		Grants Competitive Grants from KDE
			Grant Information
			Community Education Grants
			Literacy Grants
			Interviews: Lewis County
8.2	human resources are allocated and organized to support high performance in literacy.		
8.3	Kentucky tools (e.g., Implementation Manual, Program of Studies, Core Content for Assessment, Transformations: A Curriculum Framework and Performance Level Descriptions) are used.		Kentucky Tools (Curriculum Documents and Resources)

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8.4			Student Reading Materials
	reading materials.		Book Adventure
			Read Write Think
			American Library Association (ALA)
			ALA Booklist Awards
			ALA Data Resources
			Professornana
8.5	the master schedule reflects the belief that literacy is foundational to a successful life beyond school		Alliance for Excellent Education
	ioundational to a successful life beyond school		Center on Instruction
			NGA Center for Best Practices
			American Reading Company – Research Support
8.6	the SBDM has policies in place that ensure funding for literacy efforts is based on identified student needs.		Closing the Achievement Gap
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8.7	parents have literacy resources available to them.		Grants
			National Institute for Literacy
			About.com – Grant Writing
			Competitive Grants from KDE
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8.8	the school uses resources (e.g., ESS, FRYSC, university personnel, technology, KY Virtual Library, Ky Virtual HS, Library Media Center) to maximize literacy efforts.		Reading Rockets ASCD Smart Brief's Florida Center for Reading Research PAEC Literacy Read Write Think National Institute for Literacy Information on Literacy The Lexile Framework for Reading PBS KIDS! Ride to Read Interviews: Lewis County	
8.9	teachers have professional materials for study groups and time set aside for the purpose of planning for literacy instruction both horizontally and vertically		Study Group Materials pgs. 38-61 Writing Handbook Professional Reading Materials Reading & Literacy Read Write Think	
8.10	students have uninterrupted blocks of time available for literacy to maximize student learning		Interviews: Montgomery Co. American Reading Association for Supervision & Curriculum Developme (ASCD) What is the importance of content area reading instruction in schools?	

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